UGANDA INVESTMENT SUMMARY



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Overview: Current country program established in 1992. Focus is on agricultural grower and producer cooperatives in marginalized areas, as well as Feed the Future sector alignment. USADF currently manages a portfolio of 31 projects. Total commitment is \$6 million. The average investment is \$192,000.



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Rabong Multipurpose Cooperative Society 1554-UGA	2004 -2011	\$243,010	Agro-Processing (Essential Oils): The cooperative, formed in 1984, is involved in pastoral and arable farming. It currently grows citronella and lemongrass plants for distilling into essential oils. USADF funds enable Rabong to equip the processing facility and to strengthen its financial and management structures.
The Diocese of Northern Uganda Gulu Night Mentoring Project 1661-UGA <u>photos</u>	2006 -2013	\$250,000	Social Enterprise (Education): Gulu, a municipality in Acholi is currently home to over 30 primary schools and 42,000 pupils. USADF funds are used to assist students by providing night mentoring, smart board technologies, experienced teachers and renovated classrooms. USADF funds support an increase in the number of students graduating from primary school, and an increase in the number of students transitioning to secondary school.
Outspan Enterprises Limited 1699-UGA	2006 -2011	\$221,062	Agricultural Production (Sesame, Chilies): OEL specializes in the sale of organic sesame seeds and birds-eye chilies grown by 4,400 farmers in the Kaberamaido, Apac and Lira regions, and has established links with European buyers. USADF funds will help increase farmers incomes by improving OEL's processing capacity.
Solar Energy Uganda Limited 1753-UGA <u>photos</u>	2007 -2012	\$250,000	Manufacturing (Solar Lighting): SEU promotes the use of renewable energy to increase the supply of energy power in Uganda, especially to those in areas not reached by the national power grid. It specializes in designing and selling home and institutional solar power systems. SEU is based in Kampala, with branches in Lira, Mbarara and Kabale that focus on the rural market. Funds will be used to enhance production and sales capacity, and strengthen accounting and human resource management structures.
Uganda National Association of the Deaf 1817-UGA <u>photos</u>	2008 -2013	\$250,000	Social Enterprise (Vocational Education): UNAD was established by deaf persons in 1973, and registered in 1989 as a national organization representing deaf associations in 45 out of the current 81 districts in Uganda. USADF funds will be used to construct the resource center that will provide sign language, business and IT training for the deaf, as well as cover some operational costs of the facility. As a result of its programs, 820 graduates of UNAD training programs will be placed better paying jobs.
Kihihi Farmers Cooperative Society 1832-UGA <u>photos</u>	2008 -2013	\$245,244	Agro-Processing (Rice): KFCS is a 661-member cooperative located in Kihihi, Kanungu District and is expanding into the production of upland rice for domestic consumption. Funds will assist KFCS in purchasing production equipment, raw materials, and procurement of technical assistance to improve its marketing and distribution plan and financial management.
Gumutindo Coffee Cooperative Enterprise Limited 1844-UGA photos	2008 -2013	\$244,529	Agricultural Production (Coffee): Gumutindo, located near Mbale and consisting of ten cooperatives, exports both fair trade and organic coffee. USADF funds are being used to provide training, supplement working capital and purchase more coffee with a cash on delivery system. In addition, USADF funds will support the initial purchase of hand pulpers that will constitute a revolving fund for farmers.

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Igara Growers Tea Factory Limited 1862-UGA <u>photos</u>	2008 -2013	\$250,000	Agro-Processing (Tea): IGTFL, a farmer-owned tea factory in Bushenyi, is creating a new brand of tea for sachet and tea bag packaging. The scope of the project is to increase farmers incomes through increased sales on the domestic market. Funds will be used to purchase automated packing equipment, packaging materials and assure product quality compliance.
Kalecheru Rural Development Initiatives Cooperative Society Limited 1891-UGA <u>photos</u>	2008 -2011	\$85,605	Agricultural Production (Fish): KARDI is a 106-member cooperative outside Pallisa that is improving its technical and management skills for pond farming of tilapia and carp. USADF's assistance is focused on building the capacity of the young cooperative through technical assistance as well as providing working capital to improve the quality of fish preservation.
Kibinge Coffee Farmers Cooperative Society Limited 1932-UGA photos	2009-2013	\$149,908	Agricultural Production (Coffee): KCFCS is an 812-member cooperative in Masaka District. The cooperative supports its members by providing extension services in good agricultural practices, agricultural inputs and seedlings on credit, as well as the milling and marketing of Robusta coffee. USADF funds will provide the cooperative with an agro-input supplies system and crop finance fund to improve the milling factory.
Mpanga Growers Tea Factory Limited 1948-UGA <u>photos</u>	2009 -2014	\$245,910	Agro-Processing (Tea): MGFTL, a public limited liability company located in Kabarole District, is one of the oldest tea factories in Uganda. After privatisation, 518 local farmers bought shares in the company, and the company now markets tea and provides extension services to farmer members. Currently, MGTFL is unable to buy all the green leaf produced by its members. Funds will improve MGTFL's capacity to increase the quality and the quantity of its product.
Agro Genetic Technologies Limited 1959-UGA photos	2009 -2014	\$215,505	Agricultural Production (Tissue Culture): AGT, located on the outskirts of Kampala, is a private laboratory that creates new types of tissue cultures that produce higher yielding banana, tea and coffee plants that are resistant to common pests and diseases. The grant will improve the grantee's production capacity of pest and disease-resistant crops that are used by smallholder farmers.
Collaborative Efforts to Alleviate Social Problems 1991-UGA <u>photos</u>	2009-2012	\$206,130	Agricultural Production (Livestock, Ginger, and Sunflower): CEASOP is a registered non-governmental organization located in the Lira District of northern Uganda. CEASOP works with individuals previously living in internally displaced persons (IDP) camps to provide them with economic opportunities. Project funds will be used to increase the incomes of 53 farmer groups through management training, improved technical capacity in small animal husbandry, ginger and sunflower cultivation and marketing activities.
Mairirwe Farmers Cooperative Society Limited 2001-UGA <u>photos</u>	2009 -2012	\$152,105	Agro-Processing (Rice): MAFACOS is a registered smallholder rice farmer cooperative with 106 members located in Mairirwe village, Hoima sub-district in west central Uganda. Currently, there is a large unmet demand for domestic rice in Uganda. Funds will assist MAFACOS to improve rice production, bulking, and storage, increase the group's marketing strategies and improve management and financial controls.
Wambabya Community Development Cooperative Society Limited 2007-UGA photos	2009 -2012	\$148,675	Agro-Processing (Rice): WACODA is a registered smallholder rice farmer cooperative with 301 members located in Kidoma village, western Uganda. Funds will assist WACODA with improved rice production, bulking, and storage, increased marketing, and improved management and financial controls.
Technology for Tomorrow Limited 2084-UGA photos	2009 -2012	\$184,487	Research and Product Development (Health Products): Technology for Tomorrow (T4T) is a registered private limited liability company located on the Makerere University Main Campus in Kampala, Uganda. Its principal objective is to link research to community and industry needs. Technology 4 Tomorrow's MakaPads project produces papyrus-based sanitary napkins for the domestic market, with an emphasis on reaching teenaged girls in schools within marginalized communities. USADF funds will assist T4T streamline its governance structure, product and market testing.

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P'KWI Farmer to Farmer Cooperative Society Limited 2096-UGA <u>photos</u>	2009 -2013	\$191,348	Agro-processing (Sunflowers): P'KWI Inc. was founded in 1993 at the end of armed conflict in the Teso Region, by a small group of 12 women in response to the need of women from various circumstances to communicate ideas and create solidarity networks to overcome livelihoods challenges. PFFC supports sunflower grain producers in the Teso region of Uganda. PFFC purchases and presses the crop for oil which is sold within Uganda.
Ankole Coffee Producers Cooperative Union Limited 2121-UGA photos	2010 -2013	\$230,770	Agro-Processing (Coffee): Ankole is a registered secondary cooperative in the Ankole region of western Uganda. Ankole represents ten coffee societies. Ankole markets and exports bulked fair trade quality coffee on behalf of its members. USADF funds will help reduce initial input costs and allow farmers to achieve gains in productivity by improving processing and agricultural techniques.
Acwec Omio Cooperative Society Limited 2151-UGA photos	2010 -2013	\$85,902	Agricultural production (Oil seed crops-sunflower, maize, soy and sesame): Acwee Omio Cooperative Society is 777-member group comprised of poor and marginalized farmers in the Lango Region who rely on agriculture as their primary source of income. Acwee Omio empowers its farmer members to increase productivity of their oilseed crops through trainings and agricultural extension services. USADF funds will improve internal systems; provide transportation for extension workers and product bulking; and improve processing techniques.
St. Luke Farmers Cooperative Society 2184-UGA <u>photos</u>	2010 -2011	\$63,421	Agriculture (Vegetables): The St. Luke Farmers Cooperative Society is a group of 332 farmers from the Apac District of Lango Region, was established in October 2000 as a Community Based Organization. The region was under attack from the Lord's Resistance Army and other cattle rustling groups for more than 20 years. The USADF grant will allow St. Luke to complete its storage facility and develop a sustainable source of working capital.
NUMA Feeds Limited 2214-UGA	2010 -2015	\$194,252	Agro-Processing (Maize and Millet): NUMA, a cereal and animal feeds milling operation in Bushyeni District, provides local farmers with a steady market for their maize and millet. USADF assistance, will help NUMA focus on strengthening its management capacity, procuring packaging equipment, and organizing local farmer groups.
Busia Fishmongers Association 2248-UGA	2010 -2013	\$214,041	Marketing (Fish): BUFA, a grassroots association of individuals involved in the fish trade near Lake Victoria, is currently exploring options to streamline the fish supply chain in order to increase its revenues. USADF assistance will provide ice-making equipment that will enable members to obtain much better prices for fresher fish. Funds will also strengthen the financial and loan-making capacity of the cooperative.
Mabale Growers Tea Factory 2294-UGA photos	2010-2013	\$244,701	Agro-Processing (Tea): Mabale Growers Tea Factory Ltd. is a registered public company owned by 1,926 smallholder tea farmers located in Kyenjojo District in western Uganda. The factory was first established in the 1960's as a government owned enterprise, but was later privatized through farmer buy in. USADF funds will be used to expand operations; mechanize weighing systems to provide more accurate payments to farmers; and further support small farmers to increase productivity at farm level through an inputs revolving loan fund.
Gulu Community Dairy Farmers Cooperative Society Limited 2360-UGA	2011-2014	\$224,809	Agriculture (Dairy): Gulu Community Dairy Farmers Cooperative Society is a cooperative society with 94 members that provides extension services and marketing assistance to dairy farmers located in Gulu District in northern Uganda. USADF funds will be used to streamline production, storage and sale of dairy products.
West Acholi Cooperative Union [WACU] 2379-UGA	2011-2014	\$235,564	Agro-Processing (Rice and Beans): WACU is a union of cooperatives with 99 societies, with approximately 150 members in Gulu District, Uganda. It aims to take advantage of unmet demand for high quality agricultural products for local and national markets. Funds will be used to streamline production and storage of rice and beans, and the marketing and sale of farmer produce.

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Community Empowerment for Rural Development 2385-UGA photos	2011-2014	\$238,270	Agriculture (Cassava and Corn): CEFORD works with 517 small scale famers in the West Nile Region of Uganda to produce and process cassava and maize. USADF funds will be used to upgrade the financial systems of the group, purchase a milling machine, and provide technical training to farmer members.
WASMPA Agro-Processing Capacity Building Project 2386-UGA photos	2011-2012	\$96,995	Agriculture (Rice, Cassava, Corn): WASMPA is a cooperative group with 126 members in West Nile Region of Uganda. WASMPA provides training in improved growing techniques for rice, cassava, and corn while also assisting members to process and market their produce. USADF funds will be used to upgrade the financial systems of the group, purchase a milling machine, and provide technical training to farmer members.
Mer Ber Rice Commercialization and Capacity Building Project 2388-UGA photos	2011-2012	\$91,557	Agriculture (Rice): Mer Ber is a group of 50 members in West Nile Region of Uganda who all have an equal share in the cooperative. Mer Ber provides training in improved rice growing techniques while also assisting members to process and market their produce. USADF funds will be used to upgrade the financial systems of the group, purchase a rice milling machine, and provide technical training to farmer members.
United Farmers Development Cooperative Society 2412-UGA	2011-2013	\$85,366	Agro-Processing (Rice): UFDCSL is a registered cooperative owned by 57 members in the Amuru District of northern Uganda. USADF funds will be used to improve UFDCSL's management and institutional capacity, financial and operating procedures, improve production capacity and introduce rice processing to the cooperative.
Simuntu Farmer's Group 2433-UGA	2011-2016	\$206,816	Agriculture (Maize): Simuntu Farmers Group is a smallholder farmer cooperative located in Kamuli District. USADF funds will be used to build a warehouse and help the cooperative bulk and collectively sell member-grown maize. By improving the group's capacity to manage and finance these larger operations, farmers will receive greater funds than selling on their own to local purchasers.
Bukonzo Joint Cooperative Society 2461-UGA	2011-2014	\$206,758	Agriculture (Coffee): Bukonzo Joint Cooperative Micro Finance Society Ltd. is a 3,887 member registered cooperative society located in Kasese District of Uganda. BJCMFS members grow high quality, hand-picked organic coffee. The central focus of BJCMFS's operations is offering sustainable financial and capacity building services to its coffee farmer members, and the community. USADF funds will improve marketing, transportation, facilities and training for the group.



A member of Bukonzo Joint Coffee Cooperative Society proudly shows her savings book. She uses pictures to record how much of the proceeds from her harvest she will put in group savings and how much will be used for her children's school fees.